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Serial No. 10/041,693	Filing Date January 7, 2002	Examiner B. Snow	Group Art Unit 3738
Inventor(s) Margaret Ann Kato <i>et al.</i>			
Title of Invention Waist Elastic System With Improved Elastic Decay Properties For A Training Pant			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Supplemental Preliminary Amendment.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Small Entity

Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$9 =	
x 42 =	
+ \$140 =	
Total add'l fee	\$

or

Other Than Small Entity

Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$18 =	
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- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Margaret Ann Kato, et al.

Serial No.: 10/041,693

Filing Date: January 7, 2002

For WAIST ELASTIC SYSTEM WITH
IMPROVED ELASTIC DECAY
PROPERTIES FOR A TRAINING
PANT

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS'

Please cancel claim 1.